

## **FCC REPORTS NETWORK NEWS 6:30 SEPTEMBER 15-30 PART 2**

**9/16/10**

### **IMMIGRATION WHITE HOUSE MEETING LOURDES MELUZA / LOURDES MELUZÁ**

**PKG 2:21**

**INTERVIEW 2:30 APROX**

### **LUIS GUTIERREZ / (D) ILLINOIS CONGRESSMAN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

President Obama again pledged his support for the DREAM Act during a meeting today with Sen. Bob Menendez (D-N.J.) and Reps. Nydia Velazquez (D-N.Y.) and Luis Gutierrez (D-Ill.), reportedly promising he will talk to senators to encourage them to vote for the act as part of the defense authorization bill. His support is a step in the right direction, the three vocal supporters of immigration reform told reporters after the meeting.

### **PORVERTY AND ECONOMY LOURDES DEL RIO/ MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG 2:10**

The ranks of the working-age poor climbed to the highest level since the 1960s as the recession threw millions of people out of work last year, leaving one in seven Americans in poverty. The overall poverty rate climbed to 14.3 percent, or 43.6 million people, the Census Bureau said Thursday in its annual report on the economic well-being of U.S. households. The report covers 2009, President Barack Obama's first year in office. The poverty rate increased from 13.2 percent, or 39.8 million people, in 2008.

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### **ARPAIO NEW PLANS**

**VO :25**

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio says he is ramping up his fight against illegal immigration and is calling on armed volunteers to do the patrols. Sheriff Joe is always talking about his department's efforts to crack down on illegal immigration but now he wants to commission a posse whose only job will be to enforce illegal immigration and human smuggling laws.

## **DEBATE CANDIDATES FOR FL SENATE**

**LOURDES DEL RIO/ MIAMI, FL**

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Kendrick Meek, Gov. Charlie Crist and Marco Rubio participated in a debate hosted by Univision that will focus on issues important to the state's Hispanic population.

## **EVALUATING SECOND ECONOMIC STIMULUS**

**VO-SOT-VO :51**

The White House is pushing back against criticism of its \$814 billion economic stimulus bill and highlighting scores of projects that it says are creating jobs and turning around a weak economy. With unemployment at nearly 10 percent, Republicans argue that the stimulus has been a costly failure. A new White House report highlights projects ranging from the rehabilitation of the Staten Island Ferry Terminal in New York at a cost of \$175 million to building a new highway in Nelsonville, Ohio, to help freight traffic get through Appalachia. Ohio's Department of Transportation is using \$138 million in stimulus money on that project.

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## **IMMIGRANTS FROM ARIZONA TO NEW MEXICO**

**JAIME GARCIA. NEW MEXICO**

**PKG 2:15**

When Arizona legislators introduced SB 1070 earlier this year, their intention was to crack down on illegal immigrants in the state. The law requires police to check the immigration status of anyone in custody. Since the controversial law took effect, many of the toughest measures have been temporarily blocked by a federal judge. One of the key goals of the law was to encourage undocumented immigrants to self-deport to their home countries. But while people are leaving Arizona, many may be moving to other states, including neighboring New Mexico.

## **UNDOCUMENTED CHILDS**

**VO :22**

In the U.S., 79% of the 5.1 million children are born children of illegal immigrants in this country, so who are U.S. citizens, stresses the most

recent report by the Pew Hispanic Center (PHC), which seeks to provide statistical data debate that has opened in that country on reforming the constitutional amendment grants citizenship to those born on U.S. soil.

## **OBAMA WEEKLY ADDRESS**

**VO :19**

Characterizing their stalling as "politics at its worst," President Barack Obama says Republicans should quit blocking a bill to limit the amount of money corporations and unions can spend on campaign advertising. At issue is a Supreme Court ruling in a case known as Citizens United. The court reversed a centurylong trend of limiting the power of big money in politics by saying corporations and unions may spend heavily to influence presidential and congressional elections.

## **OIL SPILL LATEST**

**VO :20**

Today could be the day BP's blown out Gulf of Mexico oil spill officially dies. Crews are pumping cement into the well thousands of feet below the sea bottom today as a final seal. BP expects the well will be completely sealed -- and declared permanently dead -- sometime today, five months after an explosion killed 11 workers, sank a drilling rig and led to the worst offshore oil spill in U.S. history.

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## **BORDER CONFERENCE**

**JAIME GARCIA - PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 2:15**

This year's annual gathering of Mexican and U.S. border state governors seemed star crossed from the start. Scheduled for Phoenix this year, Arizona cancelled hosting the event after its toughest-in-the-nation anti-immigration law stirred protests and controversy. So New Mexico stepped in to play host. But the U.S. delegation kept dwindling. Ariz. Gov. Jan Brewer and Texas Gov. Rick Perry decided against attending

## **GULF OIL SPILL OVER**

**VO: 16**

A permanent cement plug sealed BP's well nearly 2.5 miles below the sea floor in the Gulf of Mexico, five agonizing months after an explosion sank a drilling rig and led to the worst offshore oil spill in U.S. history. Retired Coast Guard Adm. Thad Allen, the federal government's point man on the disaster, said Sunday BP's well "is effectively dead." Allen said a pressure test to ensure the cement plug would hold was completed at 5:54 a.m. CDT. He said the federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Regulation and Enforcement has confirmed that the cementing operation was successful.

## **OBAMA'S STATEMENT**

**VO: 23**

Statement by President Obama on Final Termination of BP's Blown Out Well in the Gulf of Mexico "Today, we achieved an important milestone in our response to the BP oil spill - the final termination of the damaged well that sat deep under the Gulf of Mexico. I commend Admiral Thad Allen, Secretaries Salazar, Chu, Napolitano, Administrators Jackson and Lubchenco, Carol Browner, the federal science and engineering teams, and the thousands of men and women who worked around the clock to respond to this crisis and ultimately complete this challenging but critical step to ensure that the well has stopped leaking forever.

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**9/20/10**

## **DREAM ACT**

**LOURDES DEL RIO- MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG 2:08**

On Monday, September 20, leaders from education sectors, students and immigration reform activists will gather in a press conference to urge passage of the DREAM Act. The DREAM Act is bipartisan legislation that enables high-achieving young people - immigrants who have been raised in the United States, have worked hard in school, and then pursue higher education or serve the United States Armed Forces - to legalize and achieve the American Dream. The press conference follows the announcement by Senate Majority Leader Harry (D-NV) to bring the DREAM Act for a vote next week as part of Department of Defense Authorization bill.

## **SB 1070 LATEST**

**VO: 28**

A federal appeals court says it will hear arguments Nov. 1 in Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer's appeal of a ruling that put parts of the state's new immigration law on hold. Brewer asked the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco to reverse the ruling that arose out of a lawsuit by the U.S. Justice Department. Her lawyers say a judge erred by accepting speculation that the law might burden legal immigrants and by concluding that the federal government would likely prevail. Justice Department attorneys argue that the law that was designed to draw local police into the fight against illegal immigration is disrupting the United States' relations with Mexico and other countries and that the state law is trumped by federal law.

## **ECONOMY LATEST**

**LUIS MEGID- SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:01**

The longest recession the country has endured since World War II ended in June 2009, according to a group that dates the beginning and end of recessions. The National Bureau of Economic Research, a panel of academic economists based in Cambridge, Mass., says the recession lasted 18 months. It started in December 2007 and ended in June 2009. Previously the longest postwar downturns were those in 1973-1975 and in 1981-1982. Both of those lasted 16 months. NBER's end date for the recession was consistent with the thinking of many private economists. The economy started growing again in the July-to-September quarter of 2009, after a record four straight quarters of declines.

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## **DREAM ACT**

**LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 1:58 & LIVER**

**WHAT IS EXPECTED?**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ/NUEVA YORK**

**PKG 2:02**

Senate Republicans filibustered the defense authorization bill Tuesday afternoon, ending a push by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) to

pass the DREAM Act which would provide legal status to some undocumented immigrants in exchange for school or military service, and a repeal of Don't Ask, Don't Tell as amendments to the legislation. The defense authorization bill has been passed for the past 48 consecutive years. It failed to move to the Senate floor today in a 56-43 vote, with no "yea" votes by Republicans. The main argument marshaled against continuing with the defense bill was that both a Don't Ask, Don't Tell repeal and the DREAM Act have too little relevance to defense. But both proposals have major implications for those who serve - or wish to serve - in the military.

**DON'T ASK DON'T TELL MILITARY**  
**LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 1:45**

The U.S. Senate Tuesday blocked a measure that would let homosexuals serve openly in the military, in a setback for one of President Barack Obama's policy goals. Sixty votes were needed for debate to begin on the bill authorizing defense programs and repeal of the policy known as "don't ask, don't tell." Just 56 senators voted yes and 43 no, but the measure will probably have another chance this year.

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**HEALTH CARE REFORM**  
**LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 2:00**

Several key consumer protections under the nation's new health law begin taking effect Thursday six months after its enactment. Insurers can no longer set a dollar limit on the amount of care they'll provide over a person's lifetime or deny coverage to sick children. Young adults can stay on their parents' health plans until age 26. And consumers get greater rights to appeal insurers' decisions. Many people, however, will have to wait until Jan. 1 for the changes to help them. That's because most of the new provisions apply to insurance policies that begin on or after Thursday. Many plans operate on a calendar year, and this fall will begin enrollment for next year.

**FUTURE OF DREAM ACT**

## **LOURDES MELUZÁ / WASHINGTON, DC**

### **PKG 2:09**

Immigration advocates have long pushed for the DREAM Act as a way to give children who were brought to the U.S. illegally by their parents a chance to become legal residents and have access to higher education. The less publicized part of the Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors Act is that the Pentagon is pushing for it as a means to staff the armed forces. Prospects dimmed Tuesday when Senate prevented a vote on a defense spending bill, because the DREAM Act was attached as an amendment.

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## **HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL**

**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

### **PKG 2:13**

Amid continued public confusion over what's in it, some provisions of President Barack Obama's health care overhaul take effect today, including an end to lifetime caps on medical costs. The overhaul allows parents to keep their adult children on their health plans until age 26. And insurers can no longer deny coverage to children with pre-existing conditions. Also, some preventive care will no longer require copayments. Consumers whose insurance plan year begins Jan. 1 will have to wait until then for these changes.

## **SMALL BUSSINESS**

### **VO :12**

Democrats controlling Congress are sending President Barack Obama a long-delayed bill to help struggling small businesses with easier credit and give them other incentives to expand and to hire new workers. The legislation passed by a 237-187 vote that split along party lines. It establishes a \$30 billion government fund to help Main Street banks lend to small businesses and cut taxes on both big and small businesses. The legislation is aimed at easing a small-business credit crunch that worsened dramatically after the financial crisis two years ago.

## **REPUBLICANS AGENDA**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC****PKG 2:14**

House Republicans are reaching out to discontented voters with a 21-page plan of action. They unveiled their "Pledge to America" today at a suburban Washington hardware store. It promises to cut taxes and spending, reduce government regulation, repeal the new health care law and end the president's stimulus program. It pledges to "put government on a path to a balanced budget," without specifying how it will do that. The unveiling capped a private debate among Republicans who wanted a public agenda and those who worried it would open their candidates to criticism.

**UNITED NATIONS****BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK****PKG 2:38**

President Barack Obama says the U.S. will offer help to those developing nations that commit to democracy and economic revival. But Obama, speaking to world leaders gathered at the United Nations, offered no new commitments of U.S. dollars to developing nations. Obama has told world leaders at the U.N. that Iran must prove to the world that its nuclear program is for peaceful purposes.

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**9/24/10**

**COLBERT AT IMMIGRATION HEARING****LOURDES MELUZÁ. WASHINGTON, DC****PKG 2:12**

The appearance of comedian Stephen Colbert before the House Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law has turned into an embarrassment for the Democrats responsible for the hearing. The subcommittee is chaired by Rep. Zoe Lofgren, but Rep. John Conyers is chairman of the larger Judiciary Committee. In that role, he has a seat on the subcommittee, and he spoke up early in the hearing.

**VAN TRAN ASKS FOR APOLOGY****LUIS MEGID. CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:14**



Orange County Democratic Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez was dealing with backlash following controversial remarks she made to a reporter in Spanish. The Republican contender for her seat, Van Tran, has demanded an apology for what he called a "negative message" of "racial division." Sanchez made the comments in a televised interview Sunday with a Hispanic TV station. She told the reporter in Spanish, "The Vietnamese and the Republicans are with an intensity trying to take away this seat" and give it to her challenger, who she called very anti-immigrant and anti-Hispanic.

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**9/25/10**

**6:30PM & 11:30PM**

**RALLY A FAVOR REFORMA  
VIVIANA AVILA, CHICAGO, ILLINOI**

**PKG : 2:13**

Hundreds of community, business, faith, youth and Latino leaders with the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights (ICIRR) along with Senator Dick Durbin (D-IL,) Congressman Luis V. Gutierrez (D-IL,) State Treasurer and Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Alexi Giannoulias and Latino elected officials will Rally for Unity. At this rally participants will underscore the urgent need for elected officials to act and fix the broken immigration system. According to a WGN/Tribune poll published on August 9, 2010, 87% of metro Chicago residents support legalization and broader solutions. Participants will urge politicians to work together in a bipartisan way to support comprehensive reform and the DREAM Act.

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**9/26/10**

**6:30PM & 11:30PM**

**US HYUNDAI RECALL  
VO: 17**

Hyundai Motor, South Korea's top automaker, will recall some 139,500 Sonata sedans sold in the United States, due to problems with the steering wheel that could cause a loss or reduction of control. The automaker

announced the recall after the U.S. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) opened a probe into steering problems in August, a move analysts said was aimed at heading off criticism that it was slow to respond.

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**9/27/10**

**DREAM ACT LATEST  
LUIS MEGID-BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 1:54**

September 27th is a National Day of Action to win the Federal and California Dream Acts. The California Dream Act is sitting on California Governor Schwarzenegger's desk awaiting his signature. If he does not veto the California Dream Act on or before September 30, 2010, it will become law. The Democratic-controlled Congress must pass the Federal Dream Act now, before its next session. On Monday, students and activists will hold rallies and demonstrations in places as far away as Los Angeles and Berkeley (where they will march on the governor's offices in each city), San Jose, Ann Arbor, and Detroit.

**SMALL BUSINESS JOBS ACT  
JAIME GARCIA- LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 1:59**

Today, President Obama will sign the Small Business Jobs Act, a bill that will give our nation's small businesses support and incentives to help them grow and hire. The bill includes a series of small business proposals that the President put forth earlier this year, and small businesses will start benefiting from the bill on day one.

The Small Business Jobs Bill Will Provide Immediate Support for Small Businesses: The bill immediately extends successful SBA Recovery Act provisions, meaning that within a few days, it will restart the SBA's Recovery lending, beginning with the more than 1,300 small businesses that have been waiting to get the credit they need - with thousands more benefitting in the coming weeks. And the bill includes eight new small business tax cuts - all effective as of Monday, and applying to small businesses' taxes for this year - providing an immediate incentive for businesses to make new investments and expand.

## **INTERNET WIRETAPS**

**VO: 20**

The Obama administration is pushing to make it easier for the government to tap into internet and e-mail communications. But the plan has already drawn condemnation from privacy groups and communications firms may be wary of its costs and scope. Frustrated by sophisticated and often encrypted phone and e-mail technologies, U.S. officials say that law enforcement needs to improve its ability to eavesdrop on conversations involving terrorism, crimes or other public safety issues. Critics worry the changes are an unnecessary invasion of privacy and would only make citizens and businesses more vulnerable to identity theft and espionage. The new regulations that would be sent to Congress next year would affect American and foreign companies that provide communications services inside the U.S. It would require service providers to make the plain text of encrypted conversations -- over the phone, computer or e-mail -- readily available to law enforcement, according to federal officials and analysts.

## **MIGRAINE GENE**

**VO: 20**

Migraine sufferers have been offered new hope after researchers identified a faulty gene responsible for the debilitating headaches. The finding could lead to better treatment and improve the quality of life for the one in five people who have the neurological disorder. Scientists at the University of Oxford, along with colleagues in Canada, took DNA samples from migraine sufferers and their families. They found that if a gene called Treks is defective it can trigger pain nerves in the brain and cause a severe headache. The discovery explains why people in the same family often suffer from the condition and could lead to new drugs that can switch off the pain.

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**9/29/10**

## **9/11 HEALTH BILL PASSES HOUSE**

**VO: 19**

A bill that would cover health care expenses incurred by thousands of first responders, clean-up workers and residents in the September 11 attacks and clean-up at the World Trade Center site is expected to come up for a vote in the House Wednesday. The 9/11 Health and Compensation Act

was first introduced in Congress in February of 2009. The bill's sponsors want it to pay for long-term medical needs associated with chronic respiratory and digestive problems that doctors and researchers have linked to toxins at Ground Zero following the terrorist attacks. The legislation would also pay for treatment of mental health issues and compensate people for economic losses.

## **48.4 MILLIONS OF HISPANIC POPULATION IN THE US**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ/ NEW YORK, NY**

**PKG - 2:18**

There are an estimated 46.9 million people of Hispanic origin living in the United States. The only country in the world that has a larger Hispanic population is Mexico. The 2010 Census will provide a clear and detailed picture of our nation, and its results will be used to determine how \$400 billion in federal tax money is spent in states and communities. Prior censuses have told us our country's population is an extremely diverse one - and these videos, photos and audio files on the Portrait of America galleries celebrate that diversity.

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**9/30/10**

## **MENENDEZ IMMIGRATION REFORM**

**LOURDES MELUZA/WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:18**

Last night, Senator Robert Menendez (D-NJ) and Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy filed the Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act of 2010. America's Voice is issuing a three page and one page summary of the legislation. According to Frank Sharry, Executive Director of America's Voice: "With the introduction of comprehensive immigration reform legislation, Senator Robert Menendez (D-NJ) and Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy (D-VT) are signaling that comprehensive immigration reform remains a top priority, helping to put the movement fighting for immigration reforms back on offense, and challenging Republicans to lead, follow or get out of the way."

## **IMMIGRATION & ECONOMY FORUM**

**LOURDES DEL RIO/ MIAMI, FL**

**PKG 2:08**

Media mogul Rupert Murdoch, a man with his own immigration story, told Congress Thursday that securing the U.S. borders must be matched with efforts to ensure that employers can't hire people who are here illegally. Murdoch and New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg testified before a House immigration subcommittee that last week featured comedian Stephen Colbert, who gave tongue-in-cheek testimony on the plight of farmworkers. The two high-profile witnesses who came to Capitol Hill Thursday couldn't pack the hearing room, however, as Colbert did in his appearance last week.

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